

# Oxford County Citizen.

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BETHEL, MAINE, THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 1928.

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## BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mrs. Charles Merrill has been ill with tonsillitis.

Dorris Frost returned Thursday to Keene, N. H.

Charles Merrill has employment at Leslie Davis' mill.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Winslow were in Rumford Sunday.

Warren Blake has employment at the mill at Skillington.

Bert Brown lost one of his valuable span of horses recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bartlett have a son born Sunday, March 15.

John Coolidge is very ill at his home on the Middle Intervale Road.

Mrs. Daniel Durrell was the guest of relatives in Lewiston last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Carter returned last week from Boston for the summer.

Eddie Fries of the C. M. Rice Paper Company, Portland, was in town Tuesday.

Rev. and Mrs. L. A. Edwards and granddaughter were in Portland Tuesday.

Miss Muriel Park returned to her school in New York the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Richardson, who have been in Pinchurst, N. C., are in Bethel.

Edith M. Morse of Shelburne was the week end guest of relatives in town last week.

Rev. W. R. Patterson attended the Methodist Conference at Woodford last week.

Jasper Cates has been confined to the house for nearly a week with a severe grippe cold.

Mrs. Mabel Clough is caring for her niece, Mrs. Ralph Merrill, and little son of Albany.

Guy Patterson has finished work in Norway, and is now employed on the bridge painting.

Mrs. Annie Eastman of South Paris was the week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Tyler.

E. C. Park, Esq., and Judge H. H. Hastings attended probate court at South Paris, Tuesday.

Mrs. Oscar Brann and three children of Augusta are guests of her mother, Mrs. Harriet Twaddle.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Henderson of Upton are with their daughter, Mrs. C. E. Merrill and family.

Mrs. Sherman Allen and daughter, Jacqueline, spent last week with her husband at Newton Blake's.

Florence and Warren Blake, who have been working at Livermore Falls since last fall, have returned home.

Rev. and Mrs. Robert Haldane of Esrol have a son born Thursday, April 12, at the Rumford Community Hospital.

Sherman Merrill, who has spent the winter with his sister, Mrs. Jasper Cates, returned to his home in Auburn Tuesday.

Miss Eldora Merrill spent a few days with her grandmother at West Bethel recently.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Packard have returned to their work at Hobn Acad after spending their Easter vacation in town.

Dorothy Hutchins went to Boston this week where she will be the guest of her brother, Vivian P. Hutchins at the Hotel Statler.

Mrs. Sherman Hamilton and daughter, Eugenia, attended the conference at Portland last week returning home Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Merrill, who have been staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clough, spent the week end in Mass.

Mrs. Mary Capen is ill at her daughter's, Mrs. Fannie Carter's. Mrs. Carter's sister, Miss Alice Capen is ill with a bad cold there also.

Mrs. Wellman, Vice-President of the Bethel Assembly of Maine, was in town the first of the week to inspect Sunset Bethel Lodge.

D. B. Smith was on the north side of the river recently to look after telephones that were put out of commission during the thunder storm Saturday night.

Miss Alfreda Wheeler returned to her school in Montpelier Tuesday morning after spending a short vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Wheeler.

## "Bar Haven"

### A Big Success

Last Friday evening the American Legion and Legion Auxiliary of Lyman, K. Swasey Post of Dixfield presented the laughable, rural comedy drama, "Bar Haven," with an all legion cast, in Odeon Hall, to an audience that packed the hall to the doors.

The play was well presented and went over great. It was said to be one of the best dramatic productions ever put on in Odeon Hall. It kept the audience laughing and wondering what was to happen next.

The scene was laid on the coast near Portland. The story is woven around Kate Wardell, the orphan daughter of James Wardell, who would have been cheated out of her right of inheritance of Wardell Manor.

Mrs. Floyd Holt impersonated the part of "Spray Hopper," the Captain's daughter, who laughed at love, but fell like the rest. Everett Foster portrayed "Capt. Hiram Hopper," an old fisherman. Sam Knowlton impersonated "Hardy Stone," Capt. Hopper's helper, and in love with Kate Wardell. Alvah Anderson, appeared as "Gideon Graham," a wealthy ranchman, who with "Mrs. Wardell," played by Mrs. Everett Foster, tried to poison "Kate Wardell," played by Mrs. Ralph Williams, so that they might have Wardell Manor as their own.

Clifton Tracy, who impersonated "Rev. John Wesley Wiggins," parson at Bar Haven; Mrs. Rodney Haynes, who portrayed "Aarabella Wortendyke," and an old maid; and Rodney Haynes, who appeared as "Cy Brackett," a fisherman who was selling for fish and Arabella, kept the audience in laughter. Boss Campbell played the part of "Leo Bradley," who was in search of the heir of Wardell Manor and Mrs. Samuel Knowlton appeared as "Florence Wardell."

Excellent music was furnished before and between the acts by Lord and Eldredge's orchestra. Miss Kidder gave an exhibition of the Charleston and Billy Fisher of Rumford, ten years old, danced and sang in Scotch costume.

Dancing was enjoyed by all after the show.

Dr. and Mrs. Tibbitts were in Portland Wednesday.

Edgar Coolidge has been ill from a slight attack of jaundice.

Hon. H. H. Hastings was in Augusta on Wednesday on business.

Mrs. Lewis Cole and little son are guests of Mrs. Roy Blake.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Van Den Kerckhoven motored to Boston Tuesday.

Mrs. Alice Farrington of Locke's Mills spent the day in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Coolidge are assisting in the care of John Coolidge.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sawin were recent guests of Estella Bean of Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Young were in Portland and Lewiston over the week end.

Mrs. Gay Cotton passed away April 12 at George Osgood's, after a short illness.

Friends of Madame Rose Hamel regret that she is closing her business in Bethel.

Mrs. George Gilmore of Rochester, Mass., is visiting her son, Homer Smith, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Tyler and children of Norway were Sunday guests at Alanson Tyler's.

Walter Chandler of West Sumner is the guest of his daughter, Mrs. A. D. Forbes, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson are entertaining her mother, Mrs. Ida Thompson, of Dixfield.

Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Taylor visited Mrs. Taylor's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Bean on Sunday.

Mrs. Ralph Young entertained eight ladies at supper April 18th. Cards were enjoyed in the evening.

Mrs. Arthur Herrick entertained her little niece, Emma Blake, on Wednesday. It was Miss Emma's fourth birthday.

Eyes examined, glasses furnished by E. L. Greenleaf, Optometrist, over Bowser's store, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of each week. Evening appointments may be made.

H. I. Dean attended the Methodist Conference at Woodford, Friday, Mrs. Dean going with him as far as Lewiston for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Harvey Jones, and family, returning Friday night.

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## Mrs. Amelia M. Grover

### A TRIBUTE

Mrs. Amelia Matherson Grover, widow of the late Carter A. Grover of Albany, passed away at her home Sunday, April 15th of pneumonia, being ill only from the Tuesday before. The news was a shock to her near family connections and many friends in Bethel and Albany.

Mrs. Grover was born in Providence, R. I., the daughter of Jerome and Mary Aspinwall Matherson, and granddaughter of the late Justus Aspinwall of Albany. When quite young her parents moved to Hyde Park, Mass. Mrs. Grover, with her sisters Annie and Minnie spent many summers with their grandparents on the farm at Hunt's Corner, Albany, and there met her future husband, Carter A. Grover.

They were married in April, 1883, at Hyde Park, Mass., coming to Albany to live on Mr. Grover's farm. The greater part of their married life was spent in Albany, excepting a few years in Hyde Park. Mr. Grover passed away at Albany in August, 1908 and since then Mrs. Grover has spent her summers in Bethel and winters in Hyde Park.

She was a member of Sunset Rebekah Lodge in Bethel, and a member of the Christian Endeavor Society of the Congregational Church at Albany. Always ready to help in any good work—she always retained her membership in the Methodist Church where her parents attended, enjoying life and all whom she was privileged to meet.

Funeral services were held at the home of her sister, Mrs. George Manley, 43 Charles Street, Hyde Park, Wednesday afternoon.

Of her nearest relatives who leave two sisters, Mrs. George Manley and Mrs. Annie Taylor, and a foster daughter, Gladys, who is now Mrs. Clarence Sweetser, 143 Beaver St., Hyde Park, with whom she was at time of her death, and several nieces and nephews all of whom will sadly mourn and miss the loved presence. Her many family connections and friends in Maine extend sincere sympathy to her bereaved family, and feel deeply their own personal loss.

Burial was at Dedham in the Matherson family lot, by the side of her husband.

"She is just away."

## Remembered on

### Wedding Anniversary

Twenty-two years ago, on April 4, 1906, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Eldredge (nee Ruby Clark) were united in marriage in Bethel, Maine, by the Rev. Charles Gleason. They came to Rockport on April 7, and boarded with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wetherbee on upper Main street. On the same evening, some 25 friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wetherbee to give a welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Eldredge.

In recognition of the 22d anniversary of the wedding it seemed well to see how many of those who were present at the reception given 22 years ago could be brought together. Of these, 14 were found in town, while Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hale of Stoneham, motored here in order to be present at the party last evening held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eldredge on High street.

A happy evening was spent recalling events of the first reception, and singing old songs, among them four that were sung 22 years ago—"Oh, that will be glory," "Count your many blessings," "I'm a little," and "Sweetly sings the donkey." Mrs. Hale acted as pianist as on the former occasion. Poems were recited, anecdotes told, and the same kind of refreshments served as formerly. Mrs. Eldredge wore her wedding dress of white satin, touching the floor, and so voluminous.

A letter was read from Mrs. Rachel Wetherbee Simons of Meriden, Conn., expressing her best wishes for a happy anniversary. Deacon Reuben Cunningham, Mrs. Herman Sherburne and Mrs. Anne Davis Ames were unable to be present on account of sickness.

—Rockport News.

## FARM BUREAU NEWS

The regular meeting of the Women's division of the Bethel Farm Bureau was held in the Grange Hall Tuesday, with Miss Alice Willis in charge. The home demonstration agent, Miss Edna Braden, was present and gave a most interesting and helpful talk on home furnishings illustrated with pictures.

Mrs. Mary Lapham and Mrs. Kathleen Bennett served the dinner which consisted of fish scallops, squash, dark bread and butter, apple pie and cottage cheese at a cost of 15.00 cents per member, to 31 adults and five children.

The ladies of the Bethel Farm Bureau are making plans to observe Better Homes Week. A committee has the work in charge.

The officers and executives of the Oxford County Farm Bureau met at the Farm Bureau Office, South Paris, 12, to report progress of the work being carried in cooperation with the Extension Service.

Pres. Austin P. Stearns, Jr. was in charge of the meeting. Reports of the project leaders showed very favorable progress in both agriculture and home economics.

A. I. Herrick, Assistant Director of Extension work in the state and Miss Estelle Nason, Home Demonstration Leader, represented the Extension Service at this meeting.

A special dinner was served to the members at the Mr. Mica Inn.

Along with other important business, plans were made for a Farm Bureau field day to be held some time in August. A committee of arrangement was chosen to look after details.

Members present at the meeting were: A. P. Stearns, Jr., president, South Paris; A. H. Holman, vice-president, Norway; B. W. Sanderson, secretary-treasurer, East Waterford; Mrs. Morris Ellingwood, club project, West Sumner; E. E. McIntire, dairy project leader, East Waterford; R. D. Hastings, farm management, East Bethel; Mrs. Victor Blanford, foods project, Roxbury; R. N. Lowell, forestry, Hiram; Mrs. Leslie Abbott, household management, Woodstock; Wilton M. Morse, orchard, Waterford.

A. L. Sanderson, crops project leader, Waterford; R. M. Clifford, poultry project leader, Brownfield; and Mrs. Myrtle A. Deering, clothing project leader, Denmark, were unable to be present.

## "Turn to the Right"

"Turn to the Right," a three act drama, will be given at Odeon Hall, Friday evening, April 27, by Norway. Tickets for the play, given under the auspices of the men of the Bethel Congregational Church, will go on sale at Rosserman's Drug Store, April 23.

This was put on at Norway about a month ago with great success, and later at South Paris.

The story is woven around three ex-convicts, a sympathetic mother and a village shylock, posing as a deacon. There are several other characters introduced during the three acts and prologues.

Those taking part are N. U. Greenleaf, Oliver J. Foss, Stephen Braden, Donald B. Partridge, Harold A. Anderson, Mrs. Annie Knight, W. H. Edminster, Charles P. Cummings, Charles H. Brown, Clayton P. Marsh, Mrs. Rosie Kierstead, Mrs. Eva Elyrs, and Mrs. Geneva Partridge.

The play is coached by Harold Anderson of Norway and special scenery will be used. Specialties will be given between the acts.

## Gould Academy Notes

On Sunday evening at the Congregational Church, the Girl Reserves presented a beautiful and impressive service. Following is the program in full:

Processional, Girl Reserve Song, Hymns, Congregation, Scripture Reading, Addaide Bean, Prayers, Rev. Mr. Edwards, Chorus, Response, "How the Great Guest Came," Rachel Beane.

Duet, Misses Kathryn and Barbara Herrick, Prologue to Pageant, Maxine Clough, Pageant, "The Chalice and the Cup," The Church, Iva Bartlett, "Spirit of Y. W. C. A., Leona Brown, Recessional, "Follow the Glean,"

Too much cannot be said in praise of the conduct and earnestness of those taking part. Miss Bartlett and Miss Brown were especially fine in their interpretations of their respective roles.

A chorus of twenty-three girls added greatly to the effect of the service. The entire program was under the direction of Miss Wright, and certainly brought a great deal of credit to her.

Mrs. Annie Parsons of Apponaug, R. I., visited her son, Raymond, a few days last week.

Miss Carrie Wight was in Portland on a business trip last Friday.

Edward Delano of Harrisonburg, Pa., visited his daughter, Betty, last week.

Principal and Mrs. Hanson entertained Mr. and Mrs. Van Den Kerckhoven and Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Farwell at the Marion True Gehring Students' Home on Sunday noon.

Milan Chapin has been awarded the third honor part in his class, that of presentation of the class gift.

"Better Homes Week" will be observed by the Household Arts Department on Wednesday afternoon, April 25, when the girls invite all friends of the school to visit the Cottage. Various phases of the work of this department will be shown and explained, beginning promptly at three o'clock.

Ten reels of moving pictures will be shown at the William Blagham Gymnasium on Tuesday evening, April 24, at eight o'clock under the auspices of the English department. The program will include Edward Everett Hale's famous story, "The Man Without a Country," Dickens' novel, "Martin Chuzzlewit," and a comedy featuring Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Drew in "Safety First." It will be remembered that "Martin Chuzzlewit" was the novel which brought forth so much criticism from America because it contained criticisms of American ideas and customs. However, it is not a "problem" novel, by any means, but has a thrilling plot, with many scenes both thrilling and humorous.

A small admission fee will be charged to cover the cost of renting the films. If the affair is successful, it is planned to have more pictures of this nature.

## CHURCH ACTIVITIES

### CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

L. A. Edwards Pastor

10:45. Morning worship. Sermon by the pastor. Subject, "The Power of Words."

There are many ways by which we communicate with others. A lifting of the eyebrows, a glance of the eye, a loss of the head may be eloquent indeed; but after all words are the most forceful agencies for the expression of ideas.

We usually talk about the things we are thinking about. If we can't get above the weather, or the latest bit of gossip in our thinking, we are not apt to get above these limits in our conversation.

There is a Persian proverb that most of us might well memorize. "The spoken word is your master, the unspoken your slave."

The church School meets at 12 o'clock.

The Church School meets at 12 o'clock in secret session at seven o'clock, when the Initiatory Degree will be worked. We are sorry to exclude our friends, but rules of the order forbid opening this service to the public.

On Friday evening at seven o'clock you are all invited to attend a good Old Fashioned Singing Off. This will be followed by a social. 25 cents pays the bill.

The Ladies' Club will meet on Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Valentine.

### CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

Chapman Street

Services Sunday morning at 10:45. Subject of the lesson sermon, Probation After Death.

Sunday School at 10 o'clock.

Wednesday testimonial meeting at 7:30 P. M.

### METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday School meets Sunday morning 9:45.

The "Q" sermon will occupy our attention Sunday morning 10:45. As this is the first Sunday of the Conference year we plan to make this latter prominent in outlining a program, and setting forth some watch-words, especially appropriate.

The Epworth League service is at 8:30 P. M. Subject, "Building a Service at Locke's Mills Sunday at 2:30 P. M.

Class meeting Tuesday evening 7:30.

### UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

Sunday School will be held at 9:20 A. M.

### Burris-LaBrecque

Ralph Burris of West Bethel and Eva LaBrecque of Hallowell, N. H., were united in marriage at the Methodist parsonage, Tuesday afternoon, by Rev. W. R. Patterson.

The couple left on the evening train for Montreal where they will spend a week.

### SCHOOL NOTES

#### LOCKE'S MILLS SCHOOL

Lucille King, who injured her foot, is able to be with us again.

Marguerite Newell has returned from Livermore Falls, Maine, to finish her year here.

The pupils in the Grammar Room getting an average of 95% or above in both Arithmetic and Spelling for the week ending April 13, are as follows: Grade 8, Velma Hanson, Reginald Roberts and Eunice Salls. Grade 7, Lawrence Crackett, Flora Swan, Ruby Day, Naomi Heald and Louisa Swan. Grade 6, Barbara Bennett, Leroy Day, Ruth Hanson, Edgar Morgan, Edna Morgan, Florence Roberts, Ernest Swan, Arva Salls and Carl Swan. Grade 5, Glenwood Newell, Boryle Mason, Myrtle Newell, Herbert Sells and Lucille Heald.

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#### JUNIORS 10-SENIORS 4

The Juniors defeated the Seniors in the first interclass baseball game of the season by taking a lead in the first inning and holding it throughout the game. The pitching of Chesbro was the feature of the game. The final score was 10 to 4 in favor of the Juniors.

Juniors, Gregory, c. Chesbro, p. Burnham, 1 b. Willard 2 b. Holmes, c. Glover, 3 b. Feller, cf. Douglas, lf. Myers, lf. King, cf. Hancock, rf. Seniors, Davis, 2b. E. Wheeler, ss. Gill, p. Adams, c. Chapin, cf. Gibbs, lf. Marshall, rf. Brown 3b. H. Wheeler, 1b. Captain Kennedy.

Gould vs. Gorham, N. H. Sat., April 21 at Bethel.

The game of baseball scheduled between Gorham, N. H., and Gould at Gorham Wednesday April 18, was cancelled because of wet grounds. The two teams will meet at Bethel Saturday, April 21 at 2:30 P. M. in the first local game of the season.

Norway at Bethel April 25

Gould will play its first Oxford County League game Wednesday April 25th when the team will meet Norway N. H. on the local diamond.

#### BASEBALL NOTES

Over thirty boys are reporting regularly for baseball this Spring, and as Gould will be represented by a first and second team a large majority of these players will action.

The first team is shaping up fast, and the following boys will start in the first game of the season Saturday against Gorham, N. H.: Homer Gregory, catcher, Jack Gill or Allan Chesbro, pitcher, Henry Tim, 1st base, Jay Willard, 2nd, Captain Wheeler, cf. Carleton Holmes, 3d, Charles Burnham, lf. John Adams, cf. James Alder, lf. or Wilson Bartlett, lf. Kevin Davis, sub.

At Monday's practice session alling

#### NOTICE

To owners of dogs in the town of Bethel. Dog taxes are now due and should be paid to the Town Clerk at once. By order of

#### SELECTIONMEN OF BETHEL

At the recent business meeting of the Epworth League, held at the home of Mrs. L. E. Davis, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Eugenia Hallowell; 1st vice-president, Evans Wilson; 2d vice-president, Mrs. Marie Davis; 3d vice-president, Mabel Herrick; 4th vice-president, Adelaide Bean; secretary, Trilinda York; Treasurer, John Anderson.

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UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE CO., NEW YORK

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Mortgage Loans,	\$1,832,722.00
Unpaid Losses,	3,000.00
Stocks and Bonds,	20,264,730.30
Cash in Office and Bank,	2,358,778.54
Agents' Balances,	2,242,962.57
Interest and Rents,	180,436.45
All other Assets,	106,613.04
Gross Assets,	2,806,630.80
Deduct items not admitted,	22,712,204.93
Admitted,	41,547.31
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$2,985,518.00
Unearned Premiums,	14,732,925.49
All other Liabilities,	636,162.81
Cash Capital,	2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	12,318,993.32
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$32,673,620.62

VICTORY INSURANCE CO. OF PHILA.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Mortgage Loans,	\$144,000.00
Stocks and Bonds,	1,492,075.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	438,272.10
Agents' Balances,	319,080.41
Interest and Rents,	27,513.29
All other Assets,	1,937.50
Gross Assets,	\$2,382,818.30
Deduct items not admitted,	\$175.20
Admitted,	\$2,382,643.10
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$115,833.10
Unearned Premiums,	\$2,266,810.00
All other Liabilities,	\$63,504.29
Cash Capital,	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$601,471.59
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$2,734,773.89

THE FRANKLIN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

Charles L. Tycner, Pres.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Real Estate,	\$107,120.52
Stocks and Bonds,	\$1,815,620.67
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$1,000,000.00
Agents' Balances,	\$90,771.70
Interest and Rents,	\$115,090.49
Gross Assets,	\$3,028,603.38
Deduct items not admitted,	\$1,000,000.00
Admitted,	\$2,028,603.38
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$235,000.00
Unearned Premiums,	\$1,774,968.37
All other Liabilities,	\$1,000,000.00
Cash Capital,	\$1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$2,383,613.32
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$3,407,573.32

MILL OWNERS MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

Des Moines, Iowa

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Real Estate,	\$238,077.74
Stocks and Bonds,	\$61,563.31
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$1,065,150.00
Agents' Balances,	\$121,126.48
Interest and Rents,	\$24,152.04
All other Assets,	\$2,428.16
Gross Assets,	\$2,452,497.63
Deduct items not admitted,	\$2,201.21
Admitted,	\$2,450,296.42
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$108,997.03
Unearned Premiums,	\$1,181,508.83
All other Liabilities,	\$107,814.83
Cash Capital,	\$1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$1,200,000.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$2,581,411.70

CALEDONIAN INSURANCE COMPANY OF EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Stocks and Bonds,	\$3,838,710.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$12,000.00
Agents' Balances,	\$69,740.33
Interest and Rents,	\$2,450.00
All other Assets,	\$4,000.00
Gross Assets,	\$4,016,900.33
Deduct items not admitted,	\$11,483.97
Admitted,	\$4,005,416.36
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$1,857,014.11
Unearned Premiums,	\$2,148,577.08
All other Liabilities,	\$743,118.11
Cash Capital,	\$2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$2,000,000.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$4,005,416.36

HARTFORD LIFE STOCK INSURANCE COMPANY

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Stocks and Bonds,	\$1,123,000.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$12,000.00
Agents' Balances,	\$24,152.04
Interest and Rents,	\$2,450.00
All other Assets,	\$4,000.00
Gross Assets,	\$1,165,602.04
Deduct items not admitted,	\$2,000.00
Admitted,	\$1,163,602.04
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$1,123,000.00
Unearned Premiums,	\$24,152.04
All other Liabilities,	\$2,450.00
Cash Capital,	\$1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$1,000,000.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$1,163,602.04

CALEDONIAN AMERICAN INSURANCE CO. OF NEW YORK

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Stocks and Bonds,	\$1,123,000.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$12,000.00
Agents' Balances,	\$24,152.04
Interest and Rents,	\$2,450.00
All other Assets,	\$4,000.00
Gross Assets,	\$1,165,602.04
Deduct items not admitted,	\$2,000.00
Admitted,	\$1,163,602.04
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$1,123,000.00
Unearned Premiums,	\$24,152.04
All other Liabilities,	\$2,450.00
Cash Capital,	\$1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$1,000,000.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$1,163,602.04

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed Administratrix of the estate of Henry M. Verrill, late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

HANNAH J. VERRILL,  
March 21st, 1928. Bethel, Maine.

PHENIX MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, Concord, N. H.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Collateral Loans,	\$85,000.00
Stocks and Bonds,	\$18,994.76
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$15,812.50
Agents' Balances,	\$15,113.24
Interest and Rents,	\$1,503.30
Gross Assets,	\$136,423.80
Deduct items not admitted,	\$136,423.80
Admitted,	\$0.00
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$4,421.64
Unearned Premiums,	\$114,311.00
All other Liabilities,	\$3,017.71
Cash Capital,	\$1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$114,311.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$114,311.00

U. S. BRANCH OF THE BRITISH AMERICA ASSURANCE COMPANY, Toronto, Canada

New York Office—110 William St., New York, N. Y.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Stocks and Bonds,	\$2,770,772.97
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$408,000.17
Agents' Balances,	\$10,567.79
Interest and Rents,	\$17,500.30
All other Assets,	\$2.15
Gross Assets,	\$3,146,843.38
Deduct items not admitted,	\$1,283.33
Admitted,	\$3,145,560.05
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$335,590.00
Unearned Premiums,	\$1,774,968.37
All other Liabilities,	\$200,000.00
Cash Capital,	\$1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$1,000,000.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$3,145,560.05

UNITED STATES BRANCH OF THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY

Toronto, Canada

New York Office—110 William St., New York, N. Y.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Stocks and Bonds,	\$1,311,420.30
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$41,311.42
Agents' Balances,	\$70,287.74
Interest and Rents,	\$2,338.57
All other Assets,	\$1,007.00
Gross Assets,	\$1,426,354.03
Deduct items not admitted,	\$15,400.33
Admitted,	\$1,410,953.70
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$454,000.00
Unearned Premiums,	\$2,442,974.32
All other Liabilities,	\$170,283.51
Cash Capital,	\$1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$1,000,000.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$1,410,953.70

BOSTON INSURANCE COMPANY

Boston, Massachusetts

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Real Estate,	\$148,500.00
Stocks and Bonds,	\$2,500.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$17,831,379.40
Agents' Balances,	\$69,208.60
Interest and Rents,	\$1,181,508.83
All other Assets,	\$71,502.00
Gross Assets,	\$20,032,118.83
Deduct items not admitted,	\$10,016.87
Admitted,	\$19,921,101.96
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$1,856,653.29
Unearned Premiums,	\$2,442,974.32
All other Liabilities,	\$170,283.51
Cash Capital,	\$1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$1,000,000.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$1,410,953.70

THE HOME INSURANCE COMPANY

Charles L. Tycner, Pres.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Stocks and Bonds,	\$78,781,520.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$2,500,000.00
Agents' Balances,	\$2,500,000.00
Interest and Rents,	\$2,500,000.00
All other Assets,	\$2,500,000.00
Gross Assets,	\$86,781,520.00
Deduct items not admitted,	\$1,000,000.00
Admitted,	\$85,781,520.00
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$1,857,014.11
Unearned Premiums,	\$2,148,577.08
All other Liabilities,	\$743,118.11
Cash Capital,	\$2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$2,000,000.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$4,005,416.36

PATRIOTIC INSURANCE COMPANY

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Stocks and Bonds,	\$1,123,000.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$12,000.00
Agents' Balances,	\$24,152.04
Interest and Rents,	\$2,450.00
All other Assets,	\$4,000.00
Gross Assets,	\$1,165,602.04
Deduct items not admitted,	\$2,000.00
Admitted,	\$1,163,602.04
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$1,123,000.00
Unearned Premiums,	\$24,152.04
All other Liabilities,	\$2,450.00
Cash Capital,	\$1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$1,000,000.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$1,163,602.04

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named.

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight. The following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris on the third Tuesday of April, A. D. 1928, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Charles Chase late of Upton, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof and the appointment of J. George Douglas as administrator with the will annexed of the estate of said deceased to serve without bonds presented by Eva M. West, daughter.

Ernest L. Eames late of Newry, deceased; petition for an allowance out of personal estate presented by Eva A. Eames now Eva A. Eames Chapman, widow.

Winona C. Chapin late of Bethel, deceased; first account presented for allowance by Allan A. Chapin, administrator.

Lurinda Day Douglass late of Brown field, deceased; petition that Arthur A. Greene of Conway, N. H. be appointed administrator of the estate of said deceased presented by Percy Douglass, widow.

Witness, Henry H. Hastings, Judge of said Court at Paris this 20th day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight.

ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

U. S. BRANCH, SUN INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Mortgage Loans,	\$125,000.00
Stocks and Bonds,	\$639,553.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$40,129.50
Agents' Balances,	\$1,016,032.25
Interest and Rents,	\$73,076.14
All other Assets,	\$18,019.82
Gross Assets,	\$2,801,700.61
Deduct items not admitted,	\$5,943.29
Admitted,	\$2,795,757.32
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$752,000.00
Unearned Premiums,	\$4,033,420.75
All other Liabilities,	\$400,000.00
Cash Capital,	\$1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$1,000,000.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$2,795,757.32

THE ETNA CASUALTY AND BURIALTY COMPANY, Hartford, Connecticut

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Real Estate,	\$61,560.44
Mortgage Loans,	\$1,052,487.12
Stocks and Bonds,	\$30,052.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$1,508,504.10
Agents' Balances,	\$2,447,197.70
Interest and Rents,	\$29,018.03
All other Assets,	\$5,000.48
Gross Assets,	\$31,606,500.77
Deduct items not admitted,	\$23,325.61
Admitted,	\$31,583,175.16
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$6,407,020.47
Unearned Premiums,	\$10,674,070.64
All other Liabilities,	\$2,005,700.00
Cash Capital,	\$2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$2,000,000.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$31,583,175.16

MILWAUKEE MECHANICAL INSURANCE CO., Milwaukee, Wisconsin

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Real Estate,	\$491,500.00
Mortgage Loans,	\$1,660,438.53
Stocks and Bonds,	\$6,000.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$1,172,932.50
Agents' Balances,	\$272,583.37
Interest and Rents,	\$1,007,503.10
All other Assets,	\$1,639.31
Gross Assets,	\$12,778,019.41
Deduct items not admitted,	\$2,000.00
Admitted,	\$12,776,019.41
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$708,234.03
Unearned Premiums,	\$3,006,612.87
All other Liabilities,	\$29,907.25
Cash Capital,	\$2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$1,000,000.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$12,776,019.41

THE METROPOLITAN CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Real Estate,	\$103,726.23
Mortgage Loans,	\$1,993,923.00
Stocks and Bonds,	\$416,520.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$1,781,082.50
Agents' Balances,	\$2,224,181.29
Interest and Rents,	\$1,875.00
All other Assets,	\$1,622.33
Gross Assets,	\$13,020,510.35
Deduct items not admitted,	\$28,388.23
Admitted,	\$12,992,122.12
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$3,992,601.26
Unearned Premiums,	\$3,992,601.26
All other Liabilities,	\$84,888.37
Cash Capital,	\$2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$2,000,000.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$12,992,122.12

THE PRUDENTIAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA

Newark, New Jersey

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Real Estate,	\$21,227,032.32
Mortgage Loans,	\$64,364,903.11
Stocks and Bonds,	\$71,903,474.61
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$17,034,681.87
Agents' Balances,	\$2,144.73
Interest and Rents,	\$26,323,551.30
All other Assets,	\$113,084,268.36
Gross Assets,	\$179,520,671.74
Deduct items not admitted,	\$2,984,031.50
Admitted,	\$176,536,640.24
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$14,321,915.47
Unearned Premiums,	\$7,653,317.48
All other Liabilities,	\$1,703,084,386.61
Cash Capital,	\$2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$2,000,000.00
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$176,536,640.24

THE TRAVELERS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, Hartford, Connecticut

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Mortgage Loans,	\$245,000.00
Stocks and Bonds,	\$1,747,115.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$81,953.38
Agents' Balances,	\$1,176,259.75
Interest and Rents,	\$127,492.92
All other Assets,	\$1,514.51
Gross Assets,	\$4,389,337.56
Deduct items not admitted,	\$2,559.75
Admitted,	\$4,386,777.81
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$1,039,292.00
Unearned Premiums,	\$7,529,198.05
All other Liabilities,	\$1,000,700.01
Cash Capital,	\$2,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$2,731,148.12
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$4,386,777.81

THE TRAVELERS INDEMNITY COMPANY, Hartford, Connecticut

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Mortgage Loans,	\$320,500.00
Stocks and Bonds,	\$8,046,519.07
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$30,495.07
Agents' Balances,	\$1,871,855.05
Interest and Rents,	\$105,093.51
All other Assets,	\$9,000.00
Gross Assets,	\$12,283,462.60
Deduct items not admitted,	\$2,428,907.93
Admitted,	\$9,854,554.67
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$2,157,473.54
Unearned Premiums,	\$7,310,903.67
All other Liabilities,	\$1,076,057.38
Cash Capital,	\$3,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$4,898,920.68
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$10,352,222.37

THE TRAVELERS INSURANCE COMPANY, Hartford, Connecticut

700 Main Street, Hartford, Connecticut

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Real Estate,	\$12,020,034.70
Mortgage Loans,	\$20,207,026.60
Stocks and Bonds,	\$264,440,837.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$12,683,208.30
Agents' Balances,	\$120,074.23
Interest and Rents,	\$15,123.81
All other Assets,	\$74,614,671.71
Gross Assets,	\$400,073,615.09
Deduct items not admitted,	\$75,580.70
Admitted,	\$399,998,034.39
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$58,894,562.43
Unearned Premiums,	\$18,440,205.99
All other Liabilities,	\$423,428,531.67
Cash Capital,	\$285,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$23,937,020.84
Total Liabilities and Surplus,	\$459,706,320.93

UNITED STATES CASUALTY COMPANY, New York City, New York

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1927

Mortgage Loans,	\$567,500.00
Stocks and Bonds,	\$8,070,316.00
Cash in Office and Bank,	\$288,540.73
The Workmen's Compensation Reinsurance Bureau Fund,	\$75,070.50
Agents' Balances,	\$6,075.39
Premiums in course of collection (gross),	\$1,430,184.48
Interest and Rents,	\$18,809.01
All other Assets,	\$11,213,086.03
Gross Assets,	\$11,213,086.03
Deduct items not admitted,	\$6,753.29
Admitted,	\$11,206,332.74
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1927	
Special Reserve for unpaid Liability and Workmen's Compensation losses,	\$1,187,004.00
Net Unpaid Losses,	\$492,082.24
Unearned Premiums,	\$3,571,971.37
All other Liabilities,	\$31,021.31
Cash Capital,	\$1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities,	\$1,32



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ing relatives in town.		daughter were in Berlin Saturday.		Mrs. F. L. Ordway was in Bethel	
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Madlyn Bell of South Paris is visiting.		Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bennett and daughter and Mrs. Harlan Bean and		Melville Jordan and friend of Norway were in town Sunday.	
		Robert Gilbert is moving his family into the N. S. Stowell Co. rent.		Lelan Mills and Stephen Westleigh were in Mason Sunday.	
				Mrs. Lydia Westleigh, who has been	
				It pays to advertise—Use our classified column.	

A STEP AHEAD IN STOREKEEPING — THE VISION OF TODAY —

April 20<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>

Our 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Anniversary Sale

Our first Anniversary sale in our new store  
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For many seasons our Anniversary Sale has been recognized as the year's most comprehensive sale event in Northern New England. Now, our new store, with its additional floor space and new departments, offers assortments and varieties that make possible the most important Anniversary Celebration in our history. Every department participates with a long list of unusual opportunities in new Spring merchandise to wear and to use. The savings are truly outstanding for they mark a very important occasion—our first Anniversary Sale in our new and greater store.

The past year has been a very bright one in the history of our store for it has brought us a liberal increase in the volume of our sales and has brought about our new store, this step ahead, the vision of today.

For this continued growth and success we are most grateful to our customers—whose confidence in our store, our merchandise and our values has made it possible. And we know no better way of showing our appreciation and of saying "Thank You" than to offer you the choice of practically our entire stocks of new Spring merchandise at reduced prices right at the time when Spring shopping is at its very height.

Our Anniversary is our only store wide sale of the Spring and Summer season. And with us it is a time of unusual value giving for we hold it to cement old friendships and make new friends rather than with thoughts of profit in mind.

So beginning Friday, April 20th, and continuing for eight days through Saturday, April 28th, we place on sale practically our entire stocks of new Spring merchandise for men, women, children, and the home, at very attractive savings. None of it is sale merchandise, none of it seconds or imperfects. On the contrary, every dollar's worth is clean, new, seasonable merchandise of the dependable quality for which the name P. M. & B. has always stood.

The sale comes at a time when traveling is pleasant; when you can easily come to Portland, share in our Anniversary Sale values and become familiar with the facilities, conveniences and shopping advantages of our new store. But if you are unable to attend the sale in person we will gladly shop for you and meet your Spring requirements by mail.

Wednesday's Portland Evening Express and Friday's Portland Press Herald will carry four pages of advertising each, regarding the merchandise values in our 22nd Anniversary Sale. Additional Anniversary Sale advertising will appear daily in these Portland newspapers.

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All our \$49.50 silk dresses and wool dresses, Anniversary sale price \$42.50  
All our \$59.50 coats and ensembles, Anniversary sale price \$50.00  
All our \$10 silk dresses in our inexpensive dress department at \$7.95  
All our Spring coats for children reduced \$1, \$2, 3 and \$4 according to reg. prices  
Our entire stocks of women's Spring shoes reduced \$1 in price for the sale  
2400 pairs of women's pure silk service hose at \$1.35, regularly \$1.85  
2200 pairs of women's \$1.35 full fashioned pure silk hose at \$1.00  
Boys' or girls' 7/8 sport hose in attractive colors, regular 50c, 38c  
Our entire stock of women's \$5 Spring hand bags, Anniversary price \$3.59  
1,000 men's \$2 white broadcloth or striped and figured shirts at \$1.55  
\$2.93 slip-on sport sweaters and sport skirts, Anniversary sale price \$2.48  
\$1.98 washable saten smocks in attractive patterns, Anniversary sale price \$1.68  
\$1.50 to \$3 costume jewelry in Spring colors, Anniversary sale price \$1  
\$1.98 silk chemise, bloomers or step-ins, Anniversary sale price \$1.68  
\$6 corsets with inner belt or clasp around corsets, special at \$3.95  
\$1.50 seven piece luncheon sets to embroider, special at \$1  
50c to \$1 Melba face powder at 25c  
\$1.50 Houbigant's bath powder or bath salts, Anniversary sale price 95c  
\$2 De Vilbiss atomizers in several styles, fully guaranteed, special at \$1  
\$1 White and Wyckoff's boxed stationery white with fancy lined envelopes 59c  
Our entire stock of Kayser's \$1 cham-oisette novelty or slip-on gloves 78c  
Our entire stock of \$2.95 Trefousse lamb-skin or Baemo novelty cuff gloves \$2.48  
\$1.95 and \$2.95 silk crepe de chine triangles and scarfs priced at \$1.48  
Our entire stock of \$1.95 all silk flat crepe in plain colors or prints \$1.55  
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Our entire stock of 33c English prints in new patterns and colors 28c  
10 patterns in open stock dinnerware Anniversary priced at savings of 1/5  
All our \$55 seamless Axminster rugs Anniversary price \$47.50, 9x12 ft.  
All our \$100 seamless Wilton rugs in 9x12 ft. size, special \$85.00  
\$5 plaid blankets in large size 72x84 inches reduced for the sale to \$3.95 pair  
\$5 rayon bedspreads in attractive Jacquard designs in colors \$3.95  
\$5.75 bridge lamps in attractive style, complete with shade, special \$3.95  
\$2.50 criss-cross ruffled curtains of ivory colored voile, special at \$1.95 pr.



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THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 1928

### BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mr. and Mrs. Elden Tracy and daughter, Elizabeth, of West Sumner were week end guests of her sister, Mrs. A. H. Tracy, and family.

Leslie and family recently of Lawrenceville have returned. They will move their household goods as soon as the same are settled.

Mrs. Abel Andrews of Albany was a recent caller of Mrs. A. F. Chapman, when she found making good improvement from her recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brownell, Vermont street, are convalescing from the recent attack of grippe, although still quite feeble from the effects of it.

The members of the Garden Club will meet at the Bethel School building Saturday at 10 A. M. Any boys or girls interested are invited to attend this meeting.

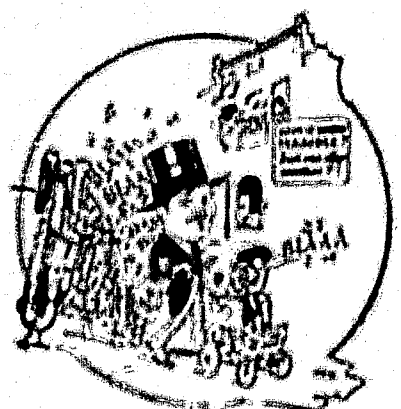
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jones and Mrs. Mary Jones and daughter of Lewiston were week end guests at Herbert J. Hancock's. Miss Edna Bean accompanied them home for a visit.

The selection was in session Monday, in conference with L. E. Davis, for the purpose of establishing a uniform rate of valuation for automobiles for the year 1928.

Miss Vera Patterson and friend, Miss Pearl Brown of Bethel, who have been spending the vacation with Miss Patterson's parents, returned to their home Sunday afternoon.

Frederic H. Foster of Bethel, Maine, and Sunday River Valley and well known here, has been very ill with pneumonia but is reported to be improving, and is even now making plans for his summer at the old home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Tondle and son, John, Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Lord, Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Moore, Miss Ida Packard, Miss Carrie, Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Hall and wife were among those from Bethel who attended the Zeigfeld Polter at Lewiston Saturday.



### Heaven Help Us! Another Saxophone!

Not content with spring house cleaning, presidential campaigns, estate investigations and other occupations, the Fates have thrust upon us another saxophone, and a fine one. We just received this fine one from the Lons Music Co., of Portland, Maine.

It will replace the suffering of the people who get cold, according to the reports of the medical statisticians. The latest proposition is a saxophone in "C". We don't know what that means but it is a saxophone. It is the latest saxophone, we're pretty sure. It is the latest saxophone, we're pretty sure. It is the latest saxophone, we're pretty sure.

According to the latest United States census, the saxophone family is growing smaller in the United States. It is the latest saxophone, we're pretty sure. It is the latest saxophone, we're pretty sure. It is the latest saxophone, we're pretty sure.

### Count 'Em and Weep

Count 'em, gentlemen. Count 'em and weep. You know what that means. You know what that means. You know what that means. You know what that means.

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### NORTH PARIS

A profitable day was spent by the Women's Division of the Farm Bureau at Community Hall, Friday, April 13, on Home Furnishings. This subject follows the meeting held Feb. 17 on Kitchen Improvement, a project being carried on by the Extension Service to aid the members in making their homes more attractive and more easily taken care of. Miss Edie Braden, H. D. A., and Miss Estelle Nason, head of the home demonstration work in the state were present. During the forenoon different ceiling, wall and floor coverings were discussed with illustrations by Miss Braden. Dinner was served at noon. Following is the menu: Baked potatoes, creamed spinach, haddock, tomatoes, bread and butter, baked Indian pudding with whipped cream, cookies and tea. After dinner and business meeting Miss Nason gave a very interesting talk on the new home makers project which the state is now trying out to get in touch with more of the women in the home. She also told many interesting things about her recent trip to a conference held at Cornell University.

Miss Braden continued her talk on curtains with illustrations, also lantern slides. The next meeting will be a special meeting May 10th to finish the work left over from the March 2d meeting.

There was a good attendance at the masquerade social and dance at the school house Friday evening. Mrs. James Gibbs and Charles Childs won the cake by guessing the right weight.

The teachers, Misses Colby and Grandin, are spending their vacation at their homes.

Mrs. H. D. McAllister, Springfield, Mass., was in town last week to assist Mr. McAllister in packing and moving their goods. They have stored them at Miss Ella Curtis', West Paris. Mr. and Mrs. Chester McAllister and family moved into the McAllister house Saturday for the summer.

There are ten men from her at present who have employment at West Paris. Clarence Coffin entered J. B. Han's grain mill Monday. Florence Pierce the foldspar mill, and L. Abbott the foldspar mine.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Henton, Bethel, were calling on relatives and friends Monday.

Miss Thelma Richardson, West Paris, was the week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Abbott.

John Gibbs is working at Canton.

Madlyn Gibbs is working for Mrs. Lawrence Cole at West Paris during vacation and Ethel Gibbs is assisting Mrs. Hiram Dunham, West Paris, this week with her housework.

Mrs. R. L. Wheeler was in South Paris shopping Monday.

### MASON

Mr. and Mrs. Will MacKenzie of Gilsum, who have been guests at Jack MacKenzie's the past week, returned home Monday.

Myron Merrill was at Bethel Monday. Mrs. Andrew Heath went to Bethel Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Merrill of Bethel were week end guests at Guy Merrill's.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Merrill, Mrs. Guy Merrill and baby, Phyllis, called on Mr. and Mrs. Herman Merrill, Sunday afternoon.

### Deferred

Mrs. Lloyd Linton and daughter, Barbara, were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Merrill, a few days recently.

Mrs. J. A. MacKenzie returned home Tuesday from South Paris, where she has been visiting with her daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron Merrill were at West Bethel, Tuesday afternoon.

### SONGO POND

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Kimball are celebrating over the birth of a daughter, born April 18th.

Mrs. Lois Parker is working for Mrs. E. C. Lapham.

Alfred Kimball and crew are river driving this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Andrews were at their son's, Roy Andrews', Bethel, Sunday.

Carlton Pease is now road commissioner at the north end, Sumner from in the center, and Lester Allen at the south end.

Mrs. Hamell is stopping at Samson for a few days.

Carlton Pease and Ralph Kimball and team worked on the Songo road Monday.

E. O. Dunham sawed wood for Irvin Becker and Herman Brown this week.

### Bourgeois a Town Dweller

The middle class, as a dominant social body, is a comparatively new thing, writes Gilbert Selles in the Saturday Evening Post. From the days of Columbus to those of Louis XIV if you wanted to have any large group of people, you directed yourself to the country rabble, the great uneducated. The bourgeois of these times was, at the same time, a town dweller, a citizen, and what is more, he was usually a free citizen.

### Out to Fight Diphtheria



Edward Seppala, Alaskan dog-sled driver and hero of the Nome diphtheria epidemic, has joined the diphtheria prevention campaign of the New York state health department. He is shown here with officials and employees of the New York health department.

### Much Good in Laughter

Laughter is to life what yeast is to bread. It is a heaven that lightens and makes palatable an otherwise sad and lifeless mass. Don't be afraid to smile and "pop" things up a little. - Gilt.

### Keep Fire Out of Woods

One of the simplest details of fire prevention lies in cleaning up the wood lot to reduce the fire hazard, says the American Tree Association. Cut out all the dead trees and the weed trees such as cherry, hornbeam and gray birch, leaving enough partially to shade the place. The waste brush should be piled and burned in a place and at a time when there is no danger from fire.

### For Honest Business



JUDGE GEORGE W. SIMPSON

As presiding justice of the New York Commercial Courts, he has declared war on the sale of bootleg lubricating oil to motorists. Damage to automobiles from spurious lubricants sold by dishonest dealers costs motorists many millions, he says. A nation-wide campaign against this evil is sponsored by the American Fair Trade Association.

### EAST BETHEL

School is again in session after an Easter vacation, with the same teachers. They are boarding with Mrs. H. Newton.

Eugene Rayford was in Portland last week Monday.

Edna Russell of Rumford passed his Easter vacation with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Porter Farrell.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hastings are having hot and cold water put in their basement.

Mr. and Mrs. Evelyn Kimball drove to Bethel Monday. They report the going by auto worse than ever.

Messrs. Hastings and Kimball were shown at the telephone meeting to put the telephones all in order and collect.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Rayford have closed their farm home for the summer and have gone to Lewiston where they will have work.



We bear so many useless loads. We'd get through life with much less fuss if we would just dispense with all the things we lug around with us.

### Did Great Work

Dr. Lucien Howe was responsible for the first law on preventing ophthalmia neonatorum, the Howe law, passed in 1890 in New York state. Similar laws making it obligatory for midwives, doctors and nurses to report promptly all cases of ophthalmia neonatorum observed and a law requiring the use of prophylactic drops in the eyes of all newborn babies have since been enacted in almost every state in the Union.



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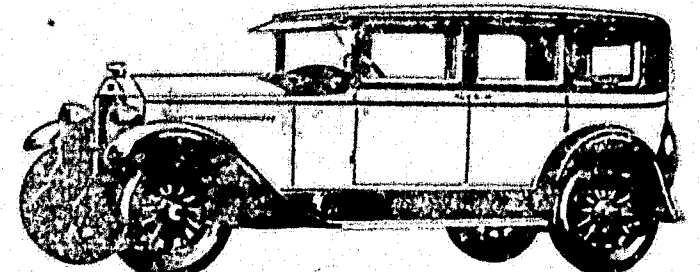
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# Who, When and Where in Oxford County

## SOUTH BETHEL

Frank Brooks was at South Paris Friday.

Several from here attended the moving pictures at Bethel Wednesday evening.

Roderick Harthorne, who has been to Boston, has returned to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harthorne.

Charles Mason was at Locke's Mills Friday.

Mrs. Shirley Chase and children from Bethel village are stopping at the home of Mrs. Mary Chase.

Mrs. Frank Harthorne, who has been ill for a few days, is able to resume her housework.

Mrs. Beulah Whitman has been assisting in the work at Mrs. Frank Harthorne's.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Jiggins from Shelburne, N. H., were in town Saturday.

Elmer Stearns has a flock of eight hundred chickens.

Miss Gertrude Chapman was at home over the week end at Pleasant View Farm.

## NORTHWEST BETHEL

Miss Myrtle Wilson spent a few days last week with her grandmother, Mrs. Grover, at Songo Pond.

Mrs. Fred Howard is sick with the grip.

Walter Emery was a business caller in the neighborhood Saturday.

Miss Myrtle Wilson is substituting for the teacher on the northside of the river in Gilead.

## SOUTH PARIS

Mrs. C. T. Merrill of Kennebunk is here with her mother and sister, Mrs. W. H. Jenne and Miss Harriet Jenne.

Mr. and Miss Jenne, who have recently sold their house on Gary street to Dr. Packard, are to move to Wilton.

South Paris captures the graduation honors at Gould Academy, Bethel. The salutatory, given to the highest ranking girl, goes to Miss Louise Cummings, and the salutatory to the boy having the highest rank goes to Earle Bryant, both of South Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery Jordan and daughter, Martha, visited in Bethel over the week end.

Miss Madlyn Bell is spending part of her vacation with Miss Ruby Bennett at West Bethel.

George McElroy has been at home a few days from Hanover, N. H., where he is employed as a carpenter on construction work at Dartmouth College.

Miss Martha Jordan is spending the week's vacation with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Jordan, at Backfield.

## EAST ANDOVER

S. A. Hamden and wife are boarding at Henry Farrington's at present.

The Swain mill is now running two crews. New men recently employed are Louis Glover and George Gaudette.

Frank Philbrick went to "Birchwood" Sunday where he expects to work in the Thurston mill.

Mrs. C. B. Crocker is the guest of relatives in Boston and vicinity.

Mrs. Robert J. Swain attended the Friday Club at Andover this week.

Melvin White recently purchased an organ from L. W. Meisner.

School has closed for a vacation of one week.

## HANOVER

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Staples of Ramford called on his mother, Mrs. Alice Staples Sunday.

Miss Maud Russell was in Bethel Friday on business.

Hanover Union Sunday School met at the Hall, April 15, with a fair attendance.

Mrs. Ebba Dyke is in town after spending the winter in Bangor with her daughter.

John and Carl Eagle are working for Saunders Bros.

Mrs. Bennett Bartlett attended the funeral of her mother at Bethel Saturday.

## SUMNER

Sixteen men are employed in the Tobbets birch mill. This mill began saving here in the Thompson pasture April 10th, with more than 1,000 cords of wood right in sight of the mill, which is known to be one of the fastest birch mills in the state. This is the second season this mill has operated here, but it is said that there is ten seasons work for them ahead.

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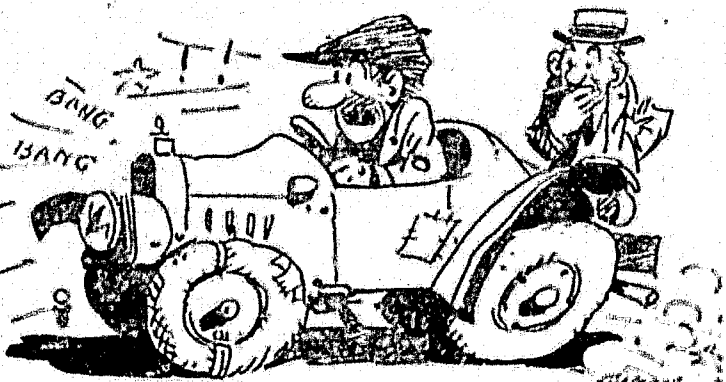
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## NORTH NORWAY

Elmer Hussy of Providence, R. I., spent the Easter recess with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hussy.

H. C. Heath recently sold two chickens to parties in Norway.

Florence Cox recently celebrated her seventh birthday with a party from 2 o'clock to 4. Ice cream and other goodie were served. Those present were Elizabeth Parson, Jr., Irene Parson, Cyril Austin, Betty Herrick, Dorothy Sanford, Janette Downie, Cecil Heath, James Fox and Florence Cox.

Ross Upton is working for Will H. Iano and boards at H. C. Heath's.

Carl Sanford has moved his family into the small house owned by the Ingalls known as the "Pine Lodge".

Mr. Sanford has employment with H. B. Wright of Wrightstone Manor.

John Evans has been doing some carpenter work for Mrs. Alice Watson.

## BRYANT POND

Schools in town are closed for a week's vacation.

Miss Mary Martin of Greenwood was a week end guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dethson.

Mrs. James Ledy has been invited to the home of Mrs. Levis McAllister where Mrs. McAllister is caring for her.

Miss Gladys Ross of West Paris has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Cummings.

Herman Noves is reported as gaining strength.

Mrs. Robert Douglass and baby of Ramford are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Parson.

Herman Folger and family have moved to the farm owned by Acton Rockwood at Plunkhook.

## NEWRY

Mrs. Harry Powers visited her mother Mrs. C. E. Burgess last Sunday.

Mrs. H. E. Harlow called at W. N. Powers' last Friday.

Herman McPherson was at home last Sunday.

Hazel Smith was at home from Bethel for the week end.

Mrs. George Learned and Miss Marian Learned called at W. N. Powers last Saturday.

## WEST PARIS

Alphonzo G. Cole passed away Thursday from heart failure following pneumonia, from which he had been ill about two weeks. He was the son of Hanson and Elvira (Farr) Cole, and was born in Greenwood 52 years ago. He married Mrs. Mary G. McDonough, who survives, with their sons, Lorenzo and Dean, of West Paris, one grandson, Sherman Lorenzo, three brothers Dan and Elmer of Greenwood, Stanton of Locke's Mills, and two sisters, Mrs. Nellie Martin and Mrs. Mary Bennett of Locke's Mills. Mr. Cole had been employed at Penley Bros. mill during the winter. He was an energetic, hard working man and respected by those who knew him. The funeral was held Friday from the Universalist church, Elmer B. Forbes officiating. There were many pretty flowers.

Mrs. Mary W. wife of Elvira M. Emery, passed away Wednesday, April 14, after a long period of illness caused from paralytic shocks. During all the long years of illness, and confinement to the bed for the past two years, she has been cheerful, patient and hopeful of recovery. She was a kind neighbor and friend, and for the past thirty five years a member of the Methodist church.

Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes officiated at the funeral of Mrs. Stetson Tuell Sunday afternoon at Summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernal Bates of New Haven, Conn., were week end guests of his father, L. C. Bates.

The Parent Teacher meeting, Monday evening at the assembly room was well attended. The audience were delighted and entertained by Mrs. Esther Tower Anderson, reader, assisted by Mrs. Stella Burnham, pianist. Geraldine Williams played a piano solo at one interval, and home made candy was served. The audience sang several selections while awaiting Mrs. Anderson's arrival.

Mrs. Myrtle Bonney was given a birthday shower Friday afternoon at the home of her sister, Mrs. Leon Proctor.

Mr. and Mrs. Bonney are soon to go to Newburyport in the upstairs part of Dr. Packard's house, soon to be vacated by Chester McAllister, who will move his family to North Paris.

Ursula Rote is recovering from chicken pox.

Charles Hardin attended the funeral of J. F. Emerson at Portland Friday.

Mrs. Hardin has been with the family for some time past.

Earle Bacon is making good recovery from cuts which he received about the face and head when his Ford sedan was struck by an east bound freight Wednesday afternoon on the crossing at West Paris.

Mary Patch has been ill the past week from tonsillitis.

Master Sherman Thomas, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Truman Emery, has been spending the week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Perkins, Bethel, N. H.

Mrs. Abner Brown was calling on friends in town Tuesday, having finished nursing at Lorenzo Cole's.

Both, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard McKee, has been ill with ear trouble during the past week and on Mrs. Maud Day was at Norway Friday.

Howard Emery has been spending his vacation from teaching at Hobson with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Emery.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Rilton attended the Shriners' ball at Lewiston.

The third annual clerks' ball will be held at Grange Hall Thursday evening, April 26. Shaw's Orchestra of six pieces will furnish music. Herman Wardwell will be floor manager, Elden Versell promoter. Old and new dances.

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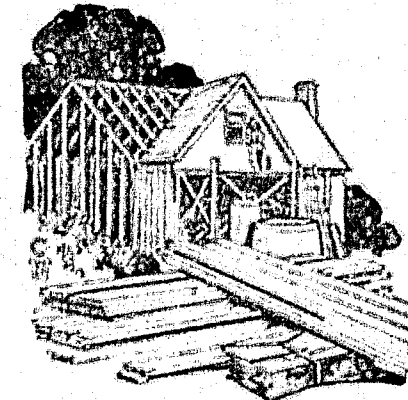
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# With the Clock Turned Back

By Courtney Ryley Cooper

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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I.—Thomas Brent, bachelor and self-made man of wealth, is ordered by his physicians to take a long vacation in the open—"Get back to Nature."

CHAPTER II.—Brent disappears, leaving Philip Scrotes, his manager, in charge of the business. He also advises for a small "red-haired, freckle-faced boy."

CHAPTER III.—With a young companion, he has found, apparently, a new life in an out-of-the-way place, in primitive fashion, subsisting mostly on trout legs.

CHAPTER IV.—Brent acquires his first knowledge of "crawdads," but, at the cost of great physical discomfort, rescues two elderly ladies from threatened drowning.

CHAPTER V.—Somewhat weary of the "back to Nature" idea, Brent sets out for the railroad, and home, his overhauls Scrotes and a business rival planning to get possession of his business. He returns to "Freck," with his mind made up to get his health restored and "sway" his enemies hard.

CHAPTER VI.—Brent, with "Freck," makes his first visit to the "ole swimming hole," a boyhood joy which he never had known. A picnic party spends lunch near their bathing place and Brent, being elated only in a very much abbreviated bathing suit, takes refuge in a woodshed.

Freck let out a yelp and started in a circle. Thomas Brent, forgetful of the fact that he was fighting a half-million-dollar battle against Scrotes and the Kelly-Griggs company, forgetful of the fact that he was a man of forty-five, overweight, with a bad set of nerves, digestion that two weeks before had been extraordinarily poor, and a temper that had made him famous, dropped his shield and started to join in the festivities. Suddenly, however, he stopped and gasped. Around the bend he had seen something fluttering.

"Freck," he said, "your eyes are better than mine. What's that? It's a white something, and it's moving this way."

The pygmy savage of the African jungles looked intently ahead. Then he whirled and grasped his resin can "lion yellor." "Oh, snakes!" he exclaimed. "Quick! We got to hide ourselves."

"Hide ourselves?"

Freck looked here and there anxiously, then started toward a thick clump of brush. "Come on. We'll hide in here. We haven't got time to get up to the cave." He started ahead and Mr. Brent followed.

"What's the row, Freck? Hide ourselves? What?"

Freck answered anxiously over his shoulder as he hurried toward the brush clump: "It's a Sunday school picnic."

When he and Freck gained the protection of the shrubbery, Brent, panting a bit, turned to look about him. The boy had been right. It was a picnic coming from goodness only knows where, but determined, it seemed, to pass exactly the spot where the boy and man were hiding. There were about fifty persons in the group, mostly women, with a sprinkling of men to carry the baskets. Brent pressed himself as closely as he could to the ground and turned a bewildered pair of eyes toward Freck.

"Think they'll see us?" he asked.

"No," Freck answered. "They're too busy thinking where they're going to stop and eat."

"Well, I hope to goodness they don't stop here," Brent said soulfully, and settled down to watch again.

The party approached slowly with its vanguard of women looking here and there anxiously for a place to stop and spread the afternoon meal.

Brent saw them pause, pant, and then hurry forward. He groaned. "We're gone," he said. "We're gone."

And in truth the party had selected for a stopping place a green sward not thirty feet from where the refugees were hiding. They circled about, laughing and talking, and began to spread the tablecloth on the ground, while the men carried water from the creek. Freck looked at Brent with eyes that spoke much. Brent returned the gaze, but neither uttered a word.

Slowly the preparations for the picnic meal went forward while Brent and the boy, in strained positions in the shrubbery, looked on and prayed that something might happen to drive the party away. But no thunder rolled, no lightning flashed, no miracle came floating out of the sky, nothing happened to end the muscular agony of the two cramped and straining bodies doubled up in the shrubbery.

Brent's breath began to come hard. His muscles were trembling against the unusual strain without relaxation. His eyes sought Freck's appealingly. "Hey, we got to do something," he whispered. "I'm about to break in two."

"Go on and move. They won't hear you," Freck answered.

Brent cast another look in the direction of the party. The backs of most of them were turned. He decided to take the chance and to spread out on his stomach. He moved.

And an unfortunate move it was, for in some way the string of Freck's "lion yellor" had become firmly wedged between two of Mr. Brent's toes while the can itself was fairly implanted behind a fork of brush. With the first motion there issued forth a screeching roar which sounded like the wall of a thousand lost souls.

It frightened Mr. Brent. With a half yelp he jumped to his feet just in time to see a greatly surprised picnic party scrambling up and looking amazedly at him. His hands went into the air. "Woof!" he grunted, and with the first instinct of protection strong within him, leaped to one side and ran.

There were screams, yells, shouts. Brent looked back. A woman or two had fainted. Two or three men were seizing clubs and preparing to follow him.

"Gosh," he said to himself with a grunt. "They think I'm a real wild man!"

He plunged forward into the woods and sought to regain the cave. A yell or two from behind told him that the men were still on his trail. He heard a sharp report from the rear and a stinging something passed him.

"Good-by, Thomas," he consoled himself. "They're shooting at you."

But on he went, dodging here and there. Again and again he sought to find the entrance to the cave where he might lose himself from the men who were following. It was an impossibility. Bewildered, befuddled, he had lost all sense of direction, and blindly dodged here and there, anywhere, in the effort to throw his pursuers off the trail. At last the cries from behind grew fainter. Brent realized that the pursuit was over. Slowly he sank beneath a tree and gasped back a part of the breath he had lost, and he remained there.

It seemed good to rest in the sun after that wild chase. It was warm and pleasant and comforting. He allowed his head to sink lower and lower. At last he slept.

When he awoke it was with a start and the realization that night was approaching, that he was hungry, that the warm air of the day was different from the cool air of evening, that he was still in the attire and decoration of a cross between a Malay savage and a Fiji islander. He groggily rolled over and looked stoddily at the moon.

"Doggone it!" he burst out wholeheartedly. "Doggone it!" But the ejaculation did to good except to redden somewhat his overcharged feelings. It brought him no nearer his clothes, no nearer the cave, no nearer anything except the realization that he was lost in the woods in exceeding dry attire and that it was going to get rather cool before morning.

"No fool like an old fool," he growled as he rose and stumbled toward an open space where the moonlight made progress better. "I've got to get this crazy mad off of me or I'll go insane. If I could find the creek, maybe I could follow it back to the cave or somewhere near it."

"That Freck is a wise one," Mr. Brent commented to himself. "Had sense enough to stay in that brush and not move, and of course they didn't think of looking for him. There he is rolled up in his blanket, asleep, warm, and comfortable—comfortable!" he said slowly and with a shiver.

## American History Puzzle Picture



Captain Perry on Lake Erie, leaving the flagship Lawrence and looking with eight of his men to the Niagara, with which in fifteen minutes he had won the battle. Perry then sent his famous dispatch to General Harrison: "We have met the enemy and they are ours, two ships, two brigs, one schooner, and a sloop." Find a cannon.

"Huh! there isn't any such condition." A shiver in the distance caught his eye and he plunged forward, colliding with a few trees now and then, but at last reaching the creek where with shivering teeth he bathed away the hateful mud, and then, shivering and trembling, started along its banks in the hope of finding the cave. The air was growing colder, and every little while Brent was forced to pause and do a short but energetic war dance to keep the chatter out of his teeth and the tremble and shiver out of his body.

"G-g-gosh, it's c-c-cold," he muttered to himself time after time. "I wish I could find that c-c-cave."

He stopped with the assertion and lugubriously surveyed an object displayed before him in the moonlight. He sat down and looked at it. He began to calculate. It was a hollow log, he saw—a large hollow log, plenty big enough to accommodate him.

"That would keep off the breeze," he mused. "I ought to be warm in there. No harm in trying it, anyway."

So he pushed himself in feet first. As far as he had gone it did feel warm. He gave himself another push. He felt one foot go through something soft and sticky. He believed he felt several small objects brush against one leg. He heard a drowsy humming. He gave himself another push. The foot penetrated further. The humming grew louder. Then with a yelp the arms of Thomas Brent clawed the air while he sought to pull himself out of the log.

"Bees!" he gasped. "Rumblebees! I've pushed into a nest of 'em. Ouch! Ouch! Ouch!" He dragged himself forth, his arms turned into windmills. Chilliness was no longer a fear with him now. He had plenty of warmth to his body. The humblebees, sleepy at first, had come forth in a swarm by this time and in the darkness were attacking the intruder from all different angles. He leaped here and there, he rolled upon the ground, he grunted, he yelled; he sprang to his feet and ran, brushing away the bees as he went.

"Lovely night, ain't it?" he gasped sarcastically to himself as he felt the bumps on every part of his body. "Beautiful night! Doggone it! There is only one thing for me to do, and that is to keep moving until morning."

And paradoxically with that statement he stopped. Not fifty feet from him was a small house with a woodshed in the rear. With almost a shout on his lips Brent started forward. Then he hesitated.

"Fine chance I'd have going up to that house at two o'clock in the morning covered with humblebees like and a bathing suit," he complained. He scratched his head thoughtfully. "That'd never do, Tom. You'd have to sleep in the woodshed. Ten to one," he added thoughtfully, "they'll have fifty dogs and every one of 'em will start barking when you get there. Then somebody'll come out with a shotgun and fill you full of buckshot and rock salt. Isn't this a lovely night, though?"

"Still," Brent added as he started forward, "what would life be without a little excitement? Tom, you're an old fool. You're a whopping old fool. But this thing'll be funny when you come to look back on it." He chuckled a little bit at the thought. "Blame it if it won't. It'll be about the funniest thing I ever had happen to me."

"Well, they haven't got any dogs after all, have they?" He had reached the woodshed and had opened the door and closed it again in safety. He panted anxiously about in the darkness for a moment. Then with a great sigh of relief, he found a pile of sawdust and lay down. Then he slept—except in spite of the bumps, in spite of the humblebees stings—in spite of everything.

## CHAPTER VII

### There's the Gamble

The sun was shining when Thomas Brent awoke. With a sense of strangeness in his surroundings, he raised himself and looked about him. For a moment he could not understand

Then it all came back to him. For a moment that sense of humor which had grown into his being in the last two weeks came uppermost and he laughed at the thought of what had happened. Then just as suddenly his face grew serious.

"Better wait until you can get out of this thing," Tom Brent, before you do much laughing," he said. "You've got a long way to travel yet and you don't know where you are. You—"

Someone was singing outside. He stopped to listen. He trembled a bit. Someone was singing, someone was approaching the woodshed, and worst of all, it was a woman. Brent-stricken, Thomas Brent scrambled to his feet and dragged himself behind the highest part of the woodpile, leaving only his head exposed.

The door opened and a form entered. For a moment she bent low filling her arms with wood, then as she raised, a blank look came into her face. Her arms opened, the wood clattered to the floor, and she screamed.

Thomas Brent started from behind the woodpile, then drew back again. "Don't run," he begged. "I won't hurt you. Don't run, please. I—why, I'm harmless," he added. "I'm worse than harmless. I can't move."

The woman's face showed amazement; fear had left it. She was not an elderly woman. She was just beautiful and between, as Freck would have said, perhaps she may have been thirty-five or thirty-six, vigorous, well formed, pretty, a healthy tan on her face and arms, and the wrinkles of appreciation of life and what it means were about her eyes.

Slowly she regarded the head which stuck up above the woodpile with much of the mud crown it once bore sticking to it and one or two pokeberries still drooping and awry. For a second or two the expression about her mouth and eyes were changeable, then it resolved into a laugh—a deep, feeling laugh in which even Thomas Brent was forced to join.

"Well," she said, "I don't know who on earth you are, but you're about the funniest-looking creature I ever set eyes on. Why don't you come out from behind there?"

"Can't," answered Thomas Brent with a return to lugubriousness. "Can't? Why?"

Brent stuttered a moment before answering. "Because you're a woman," he said at last, "and I'm a man, and I haven't got on anything except a stinky little old pair of bathing trunks."

"Bathing trunks?" Another shriek of laughter. "Well, I never. What on earth are you doing here?"

"Goodness knows, madam, it's too long a story for me to go into now. I'll keep you standing here from now until tomorrow noon if I'd try to tell you all about it. Say, have your husband got any clothes in the house that would fit me?"

"He might—if I had a husband," the woman answered. "But I haven't. I'll ask the hired man, though."

The door shut and she was gone. In ten minutes more it opened. A pair of overalls and a shirt were thrown in.

"Best I can do," came to through the door. "I'll be waiting for you outside."

Thomas Brent looked but little more impressive than before when he left the woodshed. The woman was waiting for him. With an appearance of dignity that made him only the more conscious of his bare feet and mud-streaked hair, he strode forward and stuck out a hand.

"I want to thank you," he said slowly. "I may not look it, but my name is Thomas Brent and I am the president of the Amalgamated Foundry company in Kansas City. I—"

The woman laughed again. "No, you certainly don't look it," she answered. "For goodness' sake, come into the house. I'll bet you're about starved."

"Worse than that—I'm famished," Brent answered.

She led him to the kitchen, and as she bustled herself with the biscuits and country-baked ham, and as Thomas Brent later tucked himself with the very same delicacies, he told

his story, leaving out what details he thought were unnecessary. Gradually his words ceased as the biscuits were pushed with greater frequency between his teeth, and he merely gurgled now and then as he attempted to end up his story. The woman, weak from laughing, sat on the opposite side of the table and gazed at him, her hands on her hips.

"I don't know whether to call you the funniest man I ever saw in my life, the craziest man I ever saw in my life, or the most sensible man I ever saw in my life," she said at last. "Do you think it has done you good out here in the woods?"

"I wouldn't admit it to any one else but you," Thomas Brent said from behind a bulwark of biscuits. "But it's done me more good than twenty thousand sanitariums, a flock of nurses, and a whole regiment of doctors. You ought to see this kid I've got. He's the wisest little head I ever ran up against. I'm going to grow him up to be general manager of my business."

"What's his name?" asked the hostess.

"Goodness, I don't know," Brent answered. "I call him Freck. Say, these biscuits are good. Wonder why they don't cook 'em like this in hotels?"

"Hotels?" asked the woman. "Do you live in a hotel?"

"Haven't lived in anything else since I can remember," Brent answered. "What kind of ham is this?"

"Country cured."

"Good, isn't it? Mind if I take another slice? Funny thing how the country gives a man an appetite. I never felt this way in the city. I don't suppose you know much about the city, do you?"

"Don't I?" The woman laughed. "I've had both sides of it. I came out here to get away from it and I think I'm going to stay."

"Well, maybe you're right. Still, the city's a pretty good old place. I made up my mind I'm going to stick out here sixty days, and then I'm going back."

"You're a fool if you do," the woman said.

"Well, what am I going to do about my business?"

"How much of a business have you got? What's it worth?"

"Well, it's worth half a million. The Amalgamated Foundry company, you know," Brent said proudly.

"Half a million. And you'll probably go back and try to build it up to a million. Then when you've built it up to a million, you'll be about sixty years old and they'll be putting you into a coffin and saying nice things about you before they cover you up with dirt. Then what will you do with your million?"

Mr. Brent slammed the table with one hand as he uttered a biscuit with

the other. "By George," he said, "I never thought of that! Mind if I have another biscuit? Say, by the way, I never asked you your name?"

"Mrs. Williams," was the answer. "Oh!" There was a tone of disappointment in Mr. Brent's voice. "I thought you didn't have any husband."

"I haven't," Mrs. Williams answered. "He has been dead eight years."

"Oh," said Mr. Brent again. "Oh." And then by way of changing the subject, he added: "Mind if I take just one more biscuit?"

Following that one, which was the last, he rose heavily and watched Mrs. Williams pile the dishes into the pan-

told that if I wanted more money I would have to get it somewhere else. That is my grievance."

Brent raised his fist and shook it. "You were getting a hundred dollars a month there as the head of the checking department. I didn't know you, but I know your job. You got a raise the first of the year and you got one two months ago, and here you are howling that I'm a thief. That is the way with you ingrates!"

"A hundred dollars a month? Ed-wards' eyes were wide. 'I was getting sixty dollars and not a cent more.'"

"You're—you're—I can show you the pay roll," Brent exclaimed, "where I've signed it time after time, and where I raised your wages."

"Yes; and I can show you my pay envelope," Edwards replied. Brent didn't seem to hear. He was paining up and down, his arms waving.

"There it goes again," he exclaimed. "Money, money, money! Why, look here, young man, there isn't a person in my office that has any kind of a job at all who is getting less than eighty dollars a month."

"There are plenty getting forty and fifty," Edwards answered. "Let me tell you something, Mr. Brent: Money is being wasted in your plant right and left. They are just throwing it away, slamming it around here, there, and everywhere on what you think are improvements, while your employees are being starved to death. If you've signed pay rolls for aggregate salaries of eighty dollars a month, all I have to say is that you had better do some investigating regarding what happens between the time you sign the pay roll and the time the money gets to the employees."

Brent gasped. His fists doubled up. "Scrotes!" he burst out. "I might

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WE heard last week of a man who kalsomined his dining-room over loose old paper—and had the whole job to do again!

A lady we know recently lacquered her little daughter's freshly-painted desk—because she didn't like the color of the paint... well, she didn't like the lacquer either—put on under such circumstances!

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Mr. and Mrs. P. daughter, Esther, were in town, Saturday.

Lester Wood left for the summer.

Little Francis Berry, Mrs. Ralph Berry, who is much improved.

Alton Paine will occupy the recently vacated by Shirley W. E. Wight house on

Albert Skillings is lately purchased farm on West Bethel.

Judson Carver was port last week by the wife.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. returned home from they have lived the past

Clarence Judkins, New York the past home Monday.

Mrs. Lennie Howe was in town, N. H., last week of her grandmother, M.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Edward, of South Paris, Thursday.

John Carter and family from LaTuque, Canada, the Leslie Davis house.

Freeland Clark was in town, Monday, where he went for the summer.

Miss Kathryn Green visited Mrs. H. P. A. last week.

Miss Harriet Blake of Massachusetts for a number of weeks.

Mrs. O. M. Mason and son returned from St. Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy B. Cole and Miss Harriet Lewiston Saturday.

D. R. Smith received 100 R. L. Red-chickens.

A. F. Copeland was taken to Rumford hospital for treatment for arm.

Everett McKeen has been traffic officer at the bridge and has employment at Skillingston.

Miss Nettie Deoster, Chandler of West Bethel, week end with Mr. Farber.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman had have come to Bethel home with Mrs. Potter Anna.

Miss Dorothy Hutchins, Boston, Saturday. Her mother accompanied her home week end in town.

Eyes examined, glasses L. L. Greenleaf, Op. Howe's store, Saturday appointments may be

Charles Huff of Philadelphia has been to many Bethel churches the undertaking.

Mrs. Grace Thayer of Paris and took possession.

Shirley Chase, who has been on the farm at South Bethel, will live on the farm at South Bethel and the children for several weeks.

Harold Fish and Miss of Portland were in town while here Mr. Fish and children, who are staying at Grace Merrill, at Map.

The drama, "Turn of Mind" will be presented at Odessa evening by Norway to auspices of the men of the congregational Church. The sale at Hosserman's Drug going fast.

The biggest snow storm struck on Sunday and continued until Tuesday night. Wet snow did not interfere with traffic, but made travelling very disagreeable.

S. B. Greenleaf returned last Saturday with his new ambulance. The ambulance is a modern one with folding seats. The rubber soles to provide comfort for the patient seated when necessary. This equipment is a great benefit to this and our and will be greatly appreciated.